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12. X Certified Copy of a Priority Document(s) German Application No. 101 09 542.2 filed February 28, 2001

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RE: Proposed Patent Application for Björn Heismann, Quirin Spreiter and Helmut Winkelmann Entitled: "PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD ARRANGEMENT", Claiming Priority From German 101 09 542.2 of February 28, 2001, Our Case No. P-02.0057.

SIR:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.41(c), I am filing on behalf of the inventors, Björn Heismann, Quirin Spreiter and Helmut Winkelmann, the attached patent application with one set of drawings containing 2 sheets with 3 Figures, an unsigned Declaration, a Certified Copy of German Application 101 09 542.2, an Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449, copies of references cited and appropriate government filing fee.

On behalf of the inventors, I hereby claim priority from German Application No. 101 09 542.2, filed February 28, 2001.

I request that the application be assigned a Serial No. and Filing Date pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.53(b) and 37 CFR 1.53(f).

Very sincerely,

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